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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Ljudmila Grigorievna ASLANOVA
Serial No. : 09/314,001 Art Unit : 1731
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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING BASALTIC FIBERS

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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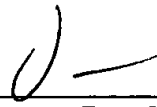
Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, respectfully requests a one-month extension of time period for responding to the Office Action dated January 5, 2001. With this filing, the period for response is thus extended up to and including May 5, 2001, (which is a Saturday, making the next business day May 7, 2001).

Our check including \$55.00 for the extension of time fee for a small entity is included herewith.

Please charge any additional fees which may be necessary with respect to this filing to the Deposit Account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 02-4300, and credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,
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